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. 1. THERE FOLLOWS IN PARA 3 PRELIMINARY REPEAT PRELIMINARY
TEXT OF DRAFT G-77 RESOLUTION ON SOUTHERN AFRICA NOW
UNDER DISCUSSION WITHIN G-77 CAUCUS AT CURRENT MEETING
OF COMMISSION ON TRANSNATIONAL CORPORATIONS.

2. COMMISSION HAS HELD DISCUSSIONS THUS FAR ON OTHER
AGENDA ITEMS, BEING REPORTED SEPTEL, AND HAS JUST BEGUN
LATE AFTERNOON OF MAY 19 TO DISCUSS SOUTH AFRICA ISSUE.
WE EXPECT SOME FORM OF ATTACHED TEXT TO BE PRESENTED IN
COURSE OF THIS DISCUSSION, AND WILL REPORT ANY CHANGES. ,

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3. TEXT READS:

BEGIN QUOTE:

THE COMMISSION ON TRANSNATIONAL CORPORATIONS,

RECALLING GENERAL ASSEMBLY RESOLUTIONS 3201 (S-VI)

OF 1 MAY 1974 ON THE DECLARATION ON THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A
NEW INTERNATIONAL ECONOMIC ORDER, 3202 (S-VI) OF 1 MAY
1974 ON THE PROGRAMME OF ACTION ON THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A
NEW INTERNATIONAL ECONOMIC ORDER, AND 3281 (XXIX) OF 12
DECEMBER 1974 ON THE CHARTER OF ECONOMIC RIGHTS AND DUTIES
OF STATES,

RECALLING ALSO RESOLUTION E/C.10/L.17 ON THE
"ACTIVITIES OF TRANSNATIONAL CORPORATIONS IN SOUTHERN
AFRICA AND THEIR COLLABORATION WITH THE RACIST MINORITY
REGIMES IN THAT AREA" ADOPTED BY THE COMMISSION ON
TRANSNATIONAL CORPORATIONS AT ITS THIRD SESSION,

RECALLING FURTHER THE MAPUTO DECLARATION IN SUPPORT
OF THE PEOPLE OF ZIMBABWE AND NAMIBIA AND PROGRAMME OF
ACTION FOR THE LIBERATION OF ZIMBABWE AND NAMIBIA AS WELL
AS THE LAGOS DECLARATION FOR ACTION AGAINST APARTHEID OF
26 AUGUST 1977,

GRAVELY CONCERNED OVER THE INCREASING COLLABORATION
BY SOME TRANSNATIONAL CORPORATIONS WITH THE RACIST MINORITY
REGIMES IN SOUTHERN AFRICA IN CONTRAVENTION OF UNITED
NATIONS RESOLUTIONS,

CONSIDERING THAT A CESSATION OF THE ACTIVITIES OF
TRANSNATIONAL CORPORATIONS IN SOUTHERN AFRICA WOULD
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CONSTITUTE AN IMPORTANT STEP IN THE STRUGGLE FOR SELF-
DETERMINATION AND AN EARLY ATTAINMENT OF MAJORITY RULE IN
SOUTHERN AFRICA,

CONSCIOUS OF THE CONTINUED NEED TO MOBILIZE THE ACTIVE
SUPPORT OF THE HOME GOVERNMENTS OF TRANSNATIONAL CORPORA-
TIONS AS WELL AS WORLD PUBLIC OPINION AGAINST THE INVOLVE-
MENT AND COLLABORATION OF THESE CORPORATIONS WITH THE
RACIST MINORITY REGIMES, WHICH IMPEDE THE EXERCISE OF THE
INALIENABLE RIGHT OF THE PEOPLES OF SOUTHERN AFRICA TO
SELF-DETERMINATION AND THEIR EXERCISE OF PERMANENT SOVEREIGN-
TY OVER THEIR NATURAL RESOURCES AND ECONOMIC ACTIVITIES,

WELCOMING AS A POSITIVE STEP THE DECISION OF SOME HOME
GOVERNMENTS WHICH HAVE DECIDED TO CURTAIL BY ADMINISTRATIVE
LEGISLATIVE AND JUDICIAL MEANS THE ACTIVITIES OF THEIR
TRANSNATIONAL AND OTHER CORPORATIONS IN SOUTHERN AFRICA,

FURTHER WELCOMING WITH APPRECIATION THE COURAGEOUS
ACTIONS OF CERTAIN HOST GOVERNMENTS, PARTICULARLY THOSE
OF THE DEVELOPING COUNTRIES, WHICH HAVE DECIDED TO SEVER
ECONOMIC RELATIONS WITH TRANSNATIONAL AND OTHER CORPORA-

TIONS WHICH COLLABORATE WITH THE RACIST MINORITY REGIMES
IN SOUTHERN AFRICA

CONVINCED THAT ADHERENCE TO THE POLICIES OF APARTHEID
AND ALL FORMS OF RACIAL DISCRIMINATION CONSTITUTE A
VIOLATION OF FUNDAMENTAL HUMAN RIGHTS AND AN OBSTACLE
TO DEVELOPMENT AND INTERNATIONAL ECONOMIC CO-OPERATION,

1. TAKES NOTE WITH APPRECIATION OF THE REPORT OF
THE CENTRE ON TRANSNATIONAL CORPORATIONS ON THE "ACTIVITIES
OF TRANSNATIONAL CORPORATIONS IN SOUTHERN AFRICA: IMPACT
ON FINANCIAL AND SOCIAL STRUCTURES" (E/C.10/39);

2. NOTES THAT SOME GOVERNMENTS HAVE ADOPTED LIMITED
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MEASURES WITH RESPECT TO THEIR TRANSNATIONAL AND OTHER
CORPORATIONS WHICH COLLABORATE WITH THE RACIST MINORITY
REGIMES IN SOUTHERN AFRICA, AND URGES THOSE GOVERNMENTS
TO IMPLEMENT THE MEASURES THEY HAVE ADOPTED AND TO ADOPT

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FURTHER MEASURES, TAKING FULLY INTO CONSIDERATION THE
VARIOUS UNITED NATIONS RESOLUTIONS;

3. COMMENDS ALL ANTI-APARTHEID MOVEMENTS, CHURCHES,
TRADE UNIONS, UNIVERSITIES AND OTHER ORGANIZATIONS WHICH
HAVE TAKEN CONCRETE STEPS, INCLUDING SHAREHOLDER ACTIONS,
TO DISCOURAGE AND OPPOSE COLLABORATION BY TRANSNATIONAL
CORPORATIONS WITH THE RACIST MINORITY REGIMES IN SOUTHERN
AFRICA;

4. REAFFIRMS THAT THE NATURAL RESOURCES OF THE
TERRITORIES OCCUPIED BY THE RACIST MINORITY REGIMES IN
SOUTHERN AFRICA ARE THE BIRTH-RIGHT OF THE INDIGENOUS
PEOPLES IN THOSE TERRITORIES AND THAT THE EXPLOITATION
OF THESE RESOURCES BY TRANSNATIONAL CORPORATIONS IN
COLLABORATION WITH THE RACIST MINORITY REGIMES IN THAT
AREA IS IN VIOLATION OF THE PRINCIPLES OF THE CHARTER
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OF THE UNITED NATIONS AND OF ALL PERTINENT RESOLUTIONS
OF THE UNITED NATIONS;

5. STRONGLY CONDEMNS THE INCREASING INVESTMENTS AND
THE EXPLOITATION OF CHEAP BLACK LABOUR BY TRANSNATIONAL AND
OTHER CORPORATIONS WHICH CONTINUE TO COLLABORATE WITH THE ,
RACIST MINORITY REGIMES IN SOUTHERN AFRICA IN CONTRA-
VENTION OF UNITED NATIONS RESOLUTIONS AND THEREBY
CONTRIBUTE TO THE SOUTHERN AFRICAN TRAGEDY BY ENCOURAGING
THE RACIST MINORITY REGIMES TO PERSIST IN THEIR INHUMAN
PRACTICES AGAINST THE MAJORITY BLACK POPULATION;

6. URGES ALL TRANSNATIONAL CORPORATIONS TO COMPLY
STRICTLY WITH THE RELEVANT UNITED NATIONS RESOLUTIONS BY
TERMINATING ALL FURTHER INVESTMENTS IN SOUTHERN AFRICA
AND BY ENDING THEIR COLLABORATION WITH THE RACIST MINORITY
REGIMES IN THAT AREA;

7. RECOGNIZES THE URGENT NEED FOR FURTHER AND MORE
EFFECTIVE MEASURES INCLUDING SANCTIONS AGAINST THE CONTINU-
ING COLLABORATION BY TRANSNATIONAL AND OTHER CORPORATIONS
WITH THE RACIST MINORITY REGIMES IN SOUTHERN AFRICA;

8. CALLS UPON ALL GOVERNMENTS WHICH HAVE NOT YET DONE
SO TO TAKE LEGISLATIVE, ADMINISTRATIVE AND OTHER MEASURES
IN RESPECT OF THEIR NATIONALS AND TRANSNATIONAL CORPORATION
OF THEIR NATIONALITY WHO OWN OR OPERATE ENTERPRISES IN
THE TERRITORIES OCCUPIED BY THE RACIST MINORITY REGIMES IN
ORDER TO PUT AN END TO SUCH ACTIVITIES;

9. CALLS UPON ALL STATES TO TERMINATE ALL FORMS OF
ECONOMIC COLLABORATION BY THEIR NATIONALS, TRANSNATIONAL
AND OTHER CORPORATIONS WITH THE RACIST MINORITY REGIMES
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IN SOUTHERN AFRICA, AND, IN PARTICULAR:

(I) TO REFRAIN FROM SUPPLYING PETROLEUM, PETROLEUM
PRODUCTS OR OTHER STRATEGIC MATERIALS TO THE
TERRITORIES OCCUPIED BY THE RACIST MINORITY
REGIMES;

(II) TO REFRAIN FROM EXTENDING LOANS, INVESTMENTS AND
TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE TO THE RACIST MINORITY
REGIMES IN SOUTHERN AFRICA AND CORPORATIONS
REGISTERED IN THOSE TERRITORIES;

(III) TO PROHIBIT ECONOMIC AND FINANCIAL INTERESTS
UNDER THEIR NATIONAL JURISDICTION FROM CO-
OPERATING WITH THE RACIST MINORITY REGIMES
AND ENTERPRISES REGISTERED IN SOUTHERN AFRICA;

(IV) TO DENY TARIFF AND OTHER PREFERENCES TO EXPORTS
FROM THE TERRITORIES OCCUPIED BY THE RACIST
MINORITY REGIMES IN SOUTHERN AFRICA AS WELL AS
ANY INDUCEMENTS OR GUARANTEES FOR INVESTMENT
AND TRADE IN THE AREA;

(V) TO TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION IN INTERNATIONAL
AGENCIES AND ORGANIZATIONS IN ORDER TO SECURE
DENIAL OF ALL ASSISTANCE AND COMMERCIAL OR
OTHER FACILITIES TO THE RACIST MINORITY REGIMES;

(VI) TO TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION, SEPARATELY OR

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(VII) TO PROHIBIT ALL PERSONS AND ENTERPRISES OF THEIR
NATIONALITY FROM MAKING ANY ROYALTY OR TAX
PAYMENTS TO, OR FROM KNOWINGLY TRANSFERRING ANY
ASSETS OR OTHER FINANCIAL RESOURCES IN CONTRA-
VENTION OF UNITED NATIONS RESOLUTIONS TO FACILI-
TATE TRADE WITH OR INVESTMENTS IN THE TERRITORIES
OCCUPIED BY THE RACIST MINORITY REGIMES.

10. REQUESTS THE CENTRE ON TRANSNATIONAL CORPORATIONS
IN CO-OPERATION WITH THE RELEVANT UNITED NATIONS AGENCIES
TO CONTINUE ITS USEFUL RESEARCH ON THIS ISSUE, TO KEEP
UNDER CONTINUOUS SURVEY ALL DEVELOPMENTS WITHIN THE SCOPE
OF THIS RESOLUTION AND TO REPORT TO THE ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL
COUNCIL AT ITS SECOND REGULAR SESSION FOR 1979 THROUGH THE
COMMISSION ON TRANSNATIONAL CORPORATIONS AT ITS FIFTH
SESSION ON THE IMPLEMENTATION OF ITS PROVISIONS. THE
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CENTRE SHOULD ANNEX TO THIS REPORT LISTS OF TRANSNATIONAL
CORPORATIONS WHICH RECOGNIZE NON-WHITE AND MULTI-RACIAL
TRADE UNIONS AS WELL AS THOSE WHICH DO NOT. END QUOTE.
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